

**DECLARATION  
AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
Original Application**

ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO.  
D-21388

As a below named inventor, I declare that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in this Declaration, that the information given herein is true, that I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor if only one name is listed at 201 below, or a joint inventor if plural inventors are named below at 201 et seq., of the invention entitled:

**CRYOGENIC AIR SEPARATION SYSTEM FOR PRODUCING  
ELEVATED PRESSURE NITROGEN**

which is described and claimed in:

- the attached specification or  
 the specification in application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ amended \_\_\_\_\_  
 (for declaration not accompanying application) (Day, Month, Year) (Day, Month, Year)

that I acknowledge a duty to disclose information I am aware of which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56(a), that I do not know and do not believe that the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before my or our invention thereof or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention thereof, or more than one year prior to this application, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application, that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application and that as to applications for patent or inventor's certificate filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns in any country foreign to the United States of America, the earliest filed foreign application(s) filed within twelve months prior to the filing date of this application and all foreign applications filed more than twelve months prior to the filing date of this application are identified at 600, and, as required, 601 below.

600	<b>CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:</b>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No earlier-filed applications
	<input type="checkbox"/> Required information as to foreign applications filed prior to filing date of this application is at 601 on page 2 attached hereto and made a part hereof.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. (*List name and registration number*)

Donald T. Black	Reg. No. 27999	David M. Rosenblum
Gerald L. Coon	Reg. No. 29910	Iurie A. Schwartz
Stanley Ktorides	Reg. No. 29399	Steven T. Trinker
		Reg. No. 29341
		Reg. No. 43909
		Reg. No. 28274

SEND CORRESPONDENCE TO:  PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. Law Department M1-557 39 Old Ridgebury Road Danbury, CT 06810-5113	DIRECT TELEPHONE CALLS TO:  Stanley Ktorides (203) 837-2178
---	---

201	FULL NAME OF INVENTOR	LAST NAME <b>PROSSER</b>	FIRST NAME <b>NEIL</b>	MIDDLE NAME <b>MARK</b>	
	RESIDENCE & CITIZENSHIP	CITY <b>Lockport</b>	STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY <b>New York</b>	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP <b>USA</b>	
	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	6993 Iroquois Drive	CITY <b>Lockport</b>	STATE OR COUNTRY <b>New York</b>	ZIP CODE <b>14094</b>
202	FULL NAME OF INVENTOR	LAST NAME <b>RANKIN</b>	FIRST NAME <b>PETER</b>	MIDDLE NAME <b>JAMES</b>	
	RESIDENCE & CITIZENSHIP	CITY <b>Williamsville</b>	STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY <b>New York</b>	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP <b>USA</b>	
	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	4260 Fireside Drive	CITY <b>Williamsville</b>	STATE OR COUNTRY <b>New York</b>	ZIP CODE <b>14221</b>
203	FULL NAME OF INVENTOR	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME	
	RESIDENCE & CITIZENSHIP	CITY	STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP	
	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	CITY	STATE OR COUNTRY	ZIP CODE
300	<input type="checkbox"/> Additional matter on page 2 attached hereto and made a part hereof. When page 2 is used, all signatures must be signed on page 2.				
	List of Applicants continued on page 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statement and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application of any patent issuing thereon.

SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR 201  <i>Neil Mark Prosser</i>	SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR 202  <i>Peter James Rankin</i>	SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR 203
DATE  <i>12/17/03</i>	DATE  <i>12/17/03</i>	DATE